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## **DX news**

### **SV2ASP Monk Apollo S.K by Kostas, SV2DPI**

A very closed friend of mine, Monk Apollo SV2ASP, passed away at 20:45 UTC on 5/5/2019. His funeral will be held in Mount Athos at 09UTC, 6 May 2019. The last 3 years he had a battle with brain cancer. He was 64 years old. He was born near Preveza in West Greece. He was part of a large family with a lot of brothers and sisters. After his studies, he followed the path of complete dedication to Christ and became a monk in 1973 in Monastery of Myrtia near Agrinio, in West Greece. <https://dx-world.net/sv2asp-monk-apollo-s-k/>

### **An offer from KCOW –update**

After careful consideration of the 24 individuals who expressed interest in the accommodations giveaway Tom has decided that Gabriel Ochoa, HK4GOO will get the dates. Thanks to all who sent him emails requesting the free accommodation. Please listen for Gabriel in the near future operating from YS land.

### **8S2K Kataja Island EU-192 –cancelled**

Hans SM6CVX got in touch to say the planned 8S2K expedition to EU-192 Kataja in May/June is cancelled since it has been activated by others this last winter. Hans mentions that he thinks there will probably be some other SM2 & SM3 hams going there soon to give North America and Asia a better chance to work this IOTA.

~~**EU-192 Kataja Isl**—A team of 6 Swedish operators will be operating as 8S2K from this new IOTA. QRV in late May or first week of June. Transport to Kataja Island and lodging is confirmed with locals. There will be 4 stations active for 5 days, running full legal power and verticals. Sweden has today maximum 200 watts legal power, BUT permission for 1 KW is requested and will be used if permitted.~~

## **DXCC**

### **This week on HF**

**3D2, FIJI** Oleh, KD7WPJ will be active as 3D2/call from May 11 until May 16 from Viti Levu Isl. Activity from 40 to 12 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

**5T, MAURITANIA** Johannes, PA5X is now operating until July as 5T5PA from Nouadhibou. QSL via LoTW, Club Log and QRZ.com. More to follow.

**5X, UGANDA** Anders, SM0PHL is once again operating as 5X7W from Kampala during his spare time. Operation on 20 meter using CW, FT8 and JT65 QRP. QSL via home call, LoTW and Club Log.

**6O, SOMALIA** Ali, EP3CQ is once again active as 6O1OO until May 15. Operation during his spare time on 20 and 40 meter using FT8.

**8Q, MALDIVES** Nobuaki, JA0JHQ is operating as 8Q7NH until May 10 from 160 to 10 meter using CW and FT8. QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

**9G, GHANA** Matt, IZ4GYS is again QRV as 9G5GS from Sanzule. Operation during his spare time from 160 to 20 meter using mainly FT8. QSL via home call, logsearch on Club Log.

**A2, BOTSWANA** Leon, A25SL is active during his spare time on 80, 40, 20, 17 and 15 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY with some FT8. QSL via N4GNR.

**CP, BOLIVIA** Lance, W7GJ is operating as CP1GJ until May 21. QRV on 6 meter EME, outside his EME time he will operate on 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, direct. <http://www.bigskspaces.com/w7gj/Bolivia%202019.htm>

**FK, NEW CALEDONIA** Giuseppe, IK2YDJ is operating as FK/call until May 10. Operation on 40 and 20 meter using SSB. QSL via IK2YDJ.

**FR, REUNION** Thomas, F4HPX will once again be QRV as FR/call starting mid-May. Operation from 40 to 15 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW and Club Log OQRS.

**FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA** Nobby, G0VJG is operating from Wallis Island as FW5JG until May 20. In addition, he hopes side-trips to Futuna and Fiji will also be possible. Focus on Europe, SSB & FT8. QSLs via M0OXO's OQRS.

**HH, HAITI** Dale N3BNA and Mark K3MSB are active as HH6/calls until May 11. Activity on HF. QSL via LoTW.

**HR, HONDURAS** Gerard, F2JD is once again operating as HR5/F2JD from Copan, Honduras until May 15. Activity on all bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via F6AJA, direct or bureau.

**J5, GUINEA-BISSAU** Livio, IZ3BUR is again operating as J52EC. Operation on HF. QSL via home call. Livio is working as missionary so operation is only during his spare time.

**J7, DOMINICA** Thomas SM0CXU and Tore SM0DZB are active as J79U and J79TA until May 15. Operation on HF. QSL via M0OXO.

**J8, GRENADINES** Brian, GW4DVB is once again operating during his spare time as J88PI. QRV until May 14 from 40 to 6 meter using mainly SSB. QSL via home call.

**JT, MONGOLIA** Andrey, R9YU is active as JT9/call until May 12. Operation on HF. QSL via home call.

**OA, PERU** Michael, AC0PR is active during his spare time as OA3/call 5 until May 14. Activity from 40 to 15 meter using CW only. QSL via home call direct only and LoTW.

**OJ0, MARKET REEF** Look for Pasi, OH3WS as OJ0W until May 1. Operation during his spare time mostly on 60 and 30 meter using CW. QSL via home call.

**TK, CORSICA** Marc, ON7SS will be operating as TK/OO9O between May 11 and May 17. QSL via Club Log OQRS or home call, bureau or direct.

**XV, VIETNAM** Tom, DL7BO will once again be active as XV9BO from May 13 until May 19. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL7BO, LoTW.

**XZ, MYANMAR** Akio, JE2QIZ has been living in Naypyitaw, Myanmar for the past 2 years. He finally received his license as XZ2B. Note that the XZ2B license is only valid for 150 days (end June) and a maximum of 25w is allowed. Furthermore, this particular license is valid for use between 20-300Mhz.

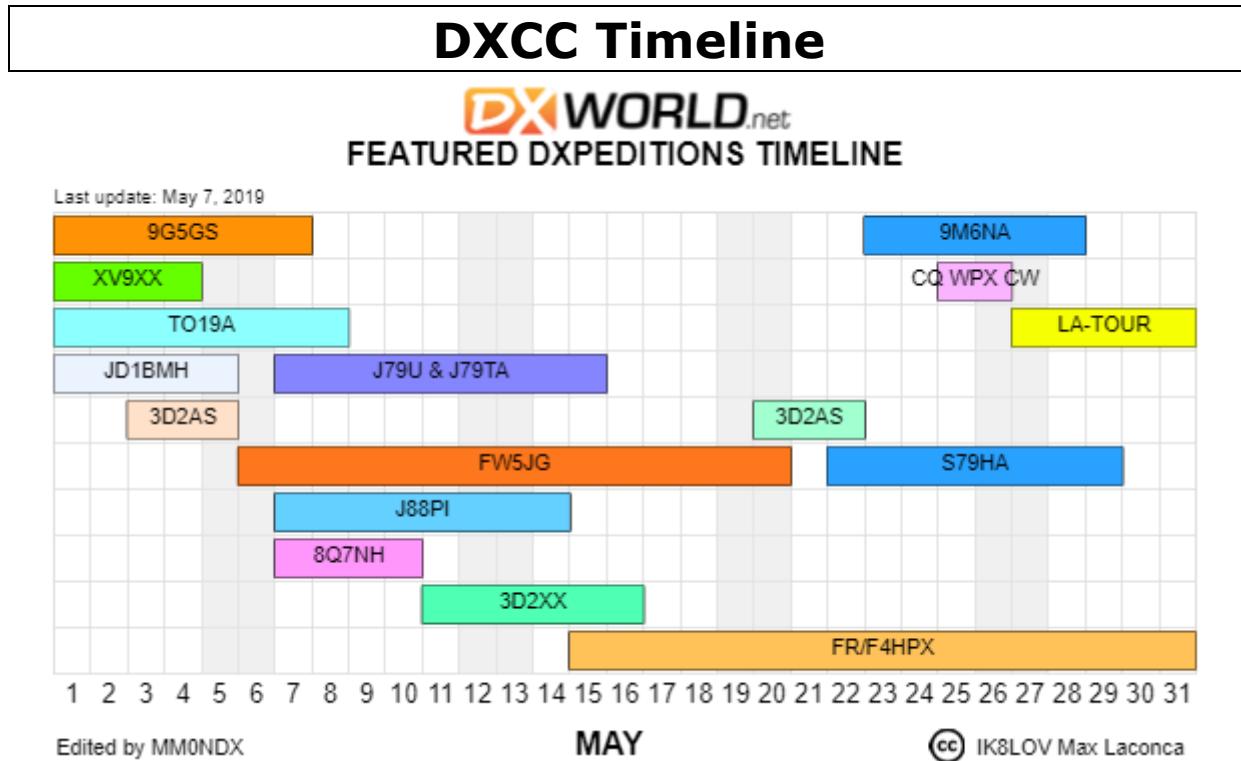
**Z8, SOUTH SUDAN** Diya, YI1DZ is once again operating as Z81D from Juba. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digital. Operation until June. QSL via OM3JW, OQRS.

## Coming up soon

**3D2, FIJI** Nobby, G0VJG will be active as 3D2AS between May 20-22. Focus on Europe, SSB and FT8. QSL via M0OXO OQRS. This activity is before and after the Wallis & Futuna DXpedition.

**P4, ARUBA** Philipp, DK6SP will be active as P4/call from May 22 until May 29. Operation planned from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

**S7, SEYCHELLES** Laci, HA7JTR will be operating as S79HA from Praslin Island. QRV from May 22 until May 29 with a focus on the low bands using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW.



## IOTA

### This week on HF

#### ASIA

**AS-043 Hachijo Isl** JA4GXS/1 from May 11 07UTC until May 13 22UTC  
Kenji, JA4GXS will be active from this IOTA on 40, 30 and 20 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

#### EUROPE

**EU-038 Texel** Roland, DL1EAL is active in 'holiday-style' as PA/call until May 9. Operation on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW.  
**EU-067 Los Isl** Jacques, F6HMJ will be active in 'holiday-style' as SV8/call from May 14 until May 28. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.  
**EU-095 Ratonneau Isl** The Castres DX Gang and IDRE members is QRV as TM5FI until May 14. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via F5XX.

#### NORTH AMERICA

**NA-250 Yakutat County Group, Coastal Groups (new)** Mike K9AJ and Bruce KD6WW will be active as K7Y from Khantaak Island, in the Yakutat County Group of Alaska on 10-13 May. Plans are "to be on the island & set up by local sunset on Thursday, May 9 (early morning hours on 10 May UTC), and to "cease operations & break camp around local sunrise on Monday, May 13" (around 12-13 UTC). They will operate mainly CW on 40, 30, 20 and 17 meter, with some SSB and possibly some FT8 as well. If conditions allow, they will have two stations QRV during most of their operation. Bruce, N9BX will be their pilot station. They will not be able to upload their

logs to Club Log during the operation, as there is no Internet access from the island. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via K9AJ (direct or bureau).

## **OCEANIA**

**OC-105 Mapun Isl** Dindo, DU1UD is once again active from this rare IOTA starting from May 3 for about 2 weeks. Remember this is currently a dangerous part of the world and the safety will always be paramount.

**OC-129 Visayan Isl** Bill, G0CXF is operating as DU7/call for a stay of 6 months on the Camotes Islands. Operation on 80, 40, 20 and 6 meter using SSB and PSK with a focus on Europe, USA, Australia and Canada.

## **Coming up soon**

### **AFRICA**

**AF-018 Pantelleria Isl** Simone, IV3NVN will be active as IH9/call between May 22 and May 27. The main goal is the CQ WPX CW Contest. QSL via IK2ILH, bureau or direct, LoTW. Previously, in 2014 he was also operating as IY9A during the WPX CW Contest, now back in a contest starting low-profile.

### **EUROPE**

**EU-180 Lebyazh'I Isl** Anatoly R6AW, Oleg R7LP, Gennady R3BY, Maxim RY5D and Yuri RX6CM will be active as R3RRC/6. Activity from May 17 until May 20 from 40 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via RZ3EC, bureau or direct, OQRS Club log.

## **On the scene**

### **3D2AS Fiji**



# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Announced DX**

### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**8Q, MALDIVES** Sugi, JI3KDH will be operating as 8Q7SU from North Male Atoll between July 31 and August 7. Operation from 20 to 10 meter using CW. QSL via LoTW.

**9G, GHANA** 9G5GS will again be active from Sanzule, Ellembelle District, Ghana between June 7 and July 2. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using mostly FT8 Fox/Hound and SSB. LoTW now available, also QSL Direct via home call IZ4YGS.

**GD, ISLE OF MAN** Members of the NBDX Team will be operating as MD/OP2D between September 21 and September 27. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via M0URX OQRS. <http://users.telenet.be/on4ann/MD/>

**OH0, ALAND ISL** Juha OH5CW and the OH5C Group will be active as OG0C from Kokar between May 22 and May 28. Activity from 160 to 2 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

**V3, BELIZE** Josep, EA3AKY will be QRV as V31AK from May 23 until May 28. Outside the CQWW WPX CW contest the focus will be on 6 meter FT8. QSL via LoTW, OH5CW bureau or direct, logsearch on Club Log.

### **THE REMINDERS**

**3B8, MAURITIUS** Olof, G0CKV and others will be operating as 3B8MU during the CQWW CW Contest (Nov 23-24). Operation before and after the contest mostly on the low bands between November 18 and November 29. QSL via M0OXO.

**3D2, FIJI** Heli, DD0VR will be operating as 3D2VR during September 2-9 and again from September 23-27. Operation from 80 to 6 meter. QSL via home call.

**3DA0, KINGDOM OF ESWATINI** Dates to be announced, but look for Pista HA5AO to return to eSwatini (Swaziland) during the second half of September 2019. Activity as 3DA0AO for 2 weeks from 80 to 10 meter using CW, RTTY and FT8.

**5W, SAMOA** Heli DD0VR and Sabine DE3BWR will be QRV as 5W0VR between September 9 and September 16. Operation on HF. QSL via DD0VR.

**5W, SAMOA** The Uruguay DX Group with Gus CX2AM, Bert CX3AN and Rainer CX8FB will be operating from Upolu (OC-097) between June 1 and June 10. Call to be announced. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL to be announced.

**5X, UGANDA** The Italian DXpedition Team will be active from Uganda during September/October 2019. Look for them as 5X0T using CW, SSB and RTTY and as 5X0X using FT8. More to follow.

**6Y, JAMAICA** Kan, JJ2RCJ will be operating as 6Y3Y from St Elizabeth between June 26 and June 28. Focus from 80 to 10 meter FT8 and special focus on JA, Asia.

**7P, LESOTHO** Pista, HA5AO is returning to Lesotho as a volunteer to a local community group. Operation early October 2019 from 80 to 10 meter during his spare time. Log and OQRS on <http://ha5ao.com>

**9U, BURUNDI** Francesco, IV3TMM will be active as 9U3TMM between August 31 and September 17 from Bujumbura. Activity in 'holiday-style' from 60 to 6 meter using FT8, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call.

**A3, TONGA** Helmut, DD0VR will be active from Tonga as A35JY during September 16-21. This activity is between Helmut's 3D2VR operation. QRV on HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

**A3, TONGA** Grant VK5GR with Andrew VK5AKH and Oly VK5XDX will be active as A35JT. An entry in the CQWW RTTY and OCDX SSB contest is included. The team is keen for a 4 square on 40/30, beams on 20/10 and verticals for 160/60 meter. Planned dates are September 22 - October 7, 2019. <http://vk5gr-iota.net/?p=1288>



**CY9, SABLE ISL** THE CY0 DXpedition team with 7 operators will be active from August 1 until August 11. It is rare on CW and a big effort will be made for this.

<http://cy9c.com/index.html>

**E5, NORTH COOK** Stan, LZ1GC and Mitko, LZ3NY will be active from Manihiki Atoll, North Cooks as E51GC during October 10-28. QRV from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via LZ1GC, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

**EL, LIBERIA** During September/October the Italian DXpedition team will be active as A82C (CW and SSB) and as A82Z for digital modes. The team will be active with 11 operators and 5 stations using CW, SSB and digi. Real-Time logging.

<http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/>

**FH, MAYOTTE**

**FR, REUNION**

Willi, DJ7RJ will once again be active as FH and FR/call during October 2019. Focus on top band from Mayotte. QSL via home call.

**FO/M MARQUESAS ISL** Members of the CAN-AM DXpedition Group will be operating from the island of Hiva Oa in the Marquesas Islands for 10-12 days between November 6-19. The Marquesas Islands rank #60 on Club Log DXCC "most wanted" list. Operations will include all available bands 160m-10m and CW, SSB and FT8. Operators are: F6BCW, K4UEE, K5PI, W5MJ, W5SJ, W5RF, VA7DX and VE7KW. This includes operators from TX5T last year. QSLs will be available via Direct and LoTW. More to follow.

**FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA** Oliver, W6NV will be operating as FO/call from Tahiti between July 19-21. Activity from 80 to 10 meter with vertical antennas. QSL via home call, LoTW.

**FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON** Eric, KV1J will once again be active as FP/call between September 24 and October 8. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call, LoTW.

**GJ, JERSEY** MJ0ILB (OK1BIL), MJ0IKL (OK1DOL), MJ/OK1FIK, MJ/OK1FWM, MJ/OK1NP and MJ/OK3RM will be active from July 19 until July 28. Activity on HF and 6 and 2 meter using CW, SSB and digi. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as MJ0ICD. QSL via OK1DOL, direct or bureau.

**H4, SOLOMON ISL** Bernhard, DL2GAC will once again be operating as H44MS from Malatai Isl between July 5 and September 25. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using SSB only. QSL via home call.

**ISO, SARDINIA** Stefan, DL3BY will be active from Bari Sardo between June 5 and June 25. Operation on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

**J8, ST VINCENT** Tom, KC0W will be operating as J8CW. Dates not yet known but it will be a dedicated CW operation. More to follow soon.

**JW, SVALBARD** Christian EA3NT and Col MM0NDX will be operating as JW/EA3NT and JW/OJ0Y from June 12 until June 16. Operation on whatever bands are open using CW, SSB and digi. Log search on Club Log. See QRZ.com.

**JW, SVALBARD** Freddy, ON6FDP will be QRV from JW/ON7SA during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28). QSL via home call.

**LX, LUXEMBOURG** Members of the GMDX Group will be active as LX/GM0OBX from Luxembourg from May 25 until June 1. The team (GM0OBX, MM0JZB, MM0OBT, MM0OKG and MM0VPY) will operate SSB, CW, FT8 and RTTY from 40 to 6 meter. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW.

**P4, ARUBA** John, W2GD will be active as P44W from May 22 until May 27. Focus on 160, 80, 30, 17 and 12 meter. QSL via LoTW or direct to N2MM.

**PJ5, SINT EUSTATIUS** Dave, W9DR will be active as PJ5/call from June 25 until July 2. Activity on 6 meter only using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

**PJ7, ST MAARTEN** Satoru, JI1DFO will be active as PJ8SK between June 13-15. QSL via home call, LoTW AND Club Log OQRS.

**S9, SAO TOME & PRINCIPE** A large team with EA1ACP, EA1DVY, EA5BJ, EA5EL, EA7FTR, S92HP and EB7DX will be active as S9A from June 6 until June 18. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via EB7DX. More to follow.

**T30, WEST KIRIBATI** Stan, LZ1GC and Mitko, LZ3NY will be active from Tarawa, W. Kiribati as T30GC between October 30 to November 15. QRV on 160-10m, CW/SSB/RTTY. QSL via LZ1GC, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

**T33, BANABA ISL** T33T by the Rebel DX Group, more to follow.

**T8, PALAU** Look for T88FM (JM1LIG), T88RR (JA6UBY) and T88MK (JO3LVG) between September 12 and September 21. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

**TT, CHAD** The Italian DXpedition Team is going to Chad. TT8RR for CW, SSB and RTTY, TT8XX for FT8. More to follow.

**V6, MICRONESIA** Haru, JA1XGI will be active as V6K from Kosrae Island between June 17 and June 24. QSL via home call. <http://v6k.client.jp/>

**VK9C, COCOS KEELING** Keith GM4YXI and Chris GM3WOJ will once again be active as VK9CZ between November 12 and November 29. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and some FT8. QSL via LoTW and Club Log OQRS. <http://www.vk9cz2019.com>

**VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS** Look for a DXpedition from May 21 to May 28 and will be from the QTH of VP5/K4QPL a.k.a. VP5M. Operation will be primarily during the CQ WPX CW contest using the call VP5M. Operators will be K2SX, K4BAI, K4QPL and KK4R. Outside of the contest, they will be use VP5/home call. For a QSL from my operations, please QSL to K2SX. QSLs via Bureau for DX stations but please enclose SASE if you are within the US. For QSLs from VP5M, please refer to their QRZ page for QSL info.

**VP6, PITCAIRN ISL** A large team of 14 operators such as K0IR, EY8MM, N2TU, W0GJ will be operating as VP6R in October 2019. Operation on all bands using all modes.

More to follow. <https://pitcairndx.com/>

**VP8, SOUTH ORKNEY** After their successful VP6D Duncie Island 2018 DXpedition, the Perseverance DX Group is pleased to announce their intention to activate South Orkney Islands, currently Club Log #16 most wanted.

Planning has begun for an expedition in February/March 2020. A team of experienced DX and Contest operators will operate from Signy Island for up to 15 days. The process of obtaining landing permission is underway. The call sign will be announced at a later date. The team will sail from Punta Arenas, Chile aboard RV Braveheart. Seven operating positions are planned for 160-10 meters, SSB/CW/Digital.

The team includes: Dave K3EL, Les W2LK, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Arliss W7XU, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR, Mike WA6O, Vadym UT6UD, Walt N6XG and Rob N7QT. <https://sorkney.com/>

**VU7, LAKSHADWEEP ISL** Shabu, M0KRI and others will be operating as VU7RI from October 19 until November 3. Operation from 80 to 6 meter with a focus on the higher bands using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via M0KRI, LoTW and Club Log.

**XV, VIETNAM** Sven, HB9DXB will once again be active as XV9DXB starting from June 1. Activity on 80, 40, 20 and 15 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via EB7DX.

**XV, VIETNAM** Look for XV9D between November 16 and December 1 with a focus on the 5 lowest bands. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via EA5GL.

**YJ, VANUATU** Geoff, ZL3GA will be operating from the Malowia Guest House between July 21 and August 2. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS or via home call, direct or bureau.

**ZD7, ST HELENA** Oliver, W6NV will be QRV as ZD7W during the CQWW CW contest (November 23-24). QSL via LoTW.

**ZF, CAYMAN ISL** Kan, JJ2RCJ will be QRV as ZF2CJ from Grand Cayman on June 23-25. Operation from the ZF1A shack between 80 and 10 meter using FT8. QSL via JJ2RCJ, LoTW and OQRS.

**ZF, CAYMAN ISL** Frank, K3TRM will be QRV as ZF2RM, dates not known yet. He specifically mentions Cayman Brac, therefore his call may change to ZF9/ZF2RM when operating from there.

**ZK3, TOKELAU** An international team led by YT1AD and Alex UT5UY is planning a DXpedition to Tokelau as ZK3X, it has a high rating on low bands and EME. Plans are to be on air from October 1 until October 15. Activity on all bands, all modes and EME. More to follow. <https://tokelau2019.com/>

## **Announced IOTA**

### **THE REMINDERS**

#### **AFRICA**

**AF-057 Nosy Be** Giovanni, IZ2DPX will be active as 5R8PX from August 3 until August 17. Operation on HF using SSB and digital. QSL via IK2DUW.

**AF-118 Los Farallones Isl** 5C9A: Last year plans to activate Los Farallones Island, AF-118NEW were announced. A few weeks later it transpired that Navy and Government permission had not been given therefore that particular expedition was postponed. This year a new expedition to AF-118 has been announced with planning behind the scenes ongoing. A team is assembled with CN8QY as leader. Planned dates of activity are July 25-30, 2019. <https://5c9a.com/>

#### **ASIA**

**AS-117 Tsuno Isl** JA4GXS/4 from June 29 07UTC until June 30 22UTC

Kenji, JA4GXS will be active from these IOTA's on 40, 30 and 20 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

**AS-063 Popigay-Ary Isl**

**AS-152 Bol'shoy Begichev**

Eugene UA6EX, Leonid UA7A and Vasily R7AA will be active as R63RR and RQ73QQ during mid-July. Water trips to and from the islands are about 800 km distance. The team seeks one more operator (who will pay for their plane tickets and some of the other costs). Contact the team at: [r7aa@mail.ru](mailto:r7aa@mail.ru). The project is quite expensive due to flights in Upper North. <https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/r63rr/en>

**R63RR**, Popigay-Ary island, IOTA: AS-063, RRA: NEW ONE, WWloc: OQ32AW, RDA: KK-65, Krasnoyarsk region (R0B).

**RQ73QQ**, Bol'shoy Begichev island, IOTA: AS-152, RRA: RR-08-04, WWloc: OQ64AM, RDA: YA-10, Republic of Sakha (R0Q).

**AS-204 Paramushir Isl** Vasily R7AL and Vlad RK8A will be operating as R26RR between June 1 and June 7. Operation on 40, 30, 20 and 18 meter. QSL via Club Log OQRS. <https://www.qrz.com/db/R26RR>

#### **EUROPE**

**EU-033 Vesteralen** May 27-31

**EU-076 Lofoten** June 1-5

Look for Ric as LA/DL2VFR, Friedrich LA/DL4BBH and Klaus LA/DL7UXG will be operating on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, Club Log.

**EU-064 Noirmoutier Isl** Look for TM4IPA (International Police Association) by ON6OM, ON6ZV and ON7EG between June 22 and June 29. Operation along the propagation using SSB and digital modes. <https://www.qsl.net/o/on6om/EU-064/>

**EU-068 Sein Isl** Members of the F6KOP Radio Club will participate in the IOTA Contest as TM5S. QSL via F5MFV, direct or bureau, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

**EU-099 Minkies Isl** Look for ON5HC, ON7PQ, ON4KZ, ON5DZ and ON8AZ as MJ/OQ7A/P between May 25 and June 1. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. <http://www.eu099.be/>

**EU-112 Shiant Isles** Team MS0INT is planning a 3-day activity from Europe's 5<sup>th</sup> most wanted IOTA. Activity mid-June or end August 2019. More to follow.

**EU-122 Rathlin Isl** John, G3WGV will be QRV as MN5A during the IOTA Contest (July 27-28). Operation in mixed mode. QSL via LoTW.

## **NORTH AMERICA**

**NA-038 Iles de la Madeleine** Jim WA4YIZ, Becky KA2BEC, Richard VE2DX and YXL will be active as VX2A11 to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Apollo 22 Moon Landing. Operation from July 23 until July 30. QSL via VE2STN.

**NA-077 Anticosti Isl** Mike, VE7ACN will be QRV as VE7ACN/VE2 from August 21 until August 31. QSL via home call.

**NA-210 Sledge Isl** Members of the Russian Robinson Club will be active as KL7RRC/P from August 25 until September 3. Operation is planned from 40 to 6 meter with 3 stations using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via N7RO, Club Log.

## **OCEANIA**

**VANUATU IOTA DXpedition** Sergei RZ3FW and Sergei R4WAA will be active from Vanuatu as **YJ0RRC** during November 2019.

**OC-035 Efate Isl** November 14-20 YJ0FWA

**OC-104 Gaua Isl** November 4-11 YJ0RRC

**OC-111 Tongoa Isl** November 8-13 YJ0RRC

YJ0RRC from 40 to 18 meter using CW, SSB and digi with 2 stations. YJ0FWA will also be on 160 and 80 meter.

Full planning: <https://r4waa9.wixsite.com/yj0rrc>

**OC-059 Kosrae Isl** Haru, JA1XGI will be operating as V6K. Dates to be confirmed. Operation on HF. QSL via homecall.

**OC-133 Labuan Isl** Saty, JE1JKL will be operating as 9M6NA from May 23 until May 28. Operation on HF and 6 meter with an entry in the CQWW WPX CW contest. QSL via LoTW.

## **SOUTH AMERICA**

**SA-100 Pajaros Rocks** Alfio, IT9EJW informs DX-World and the IOTA Community that an Italian Team led by IT9YRE is working on a new plan to activate SA-100 and a date (in 2019) will be revealed at Friedrichschafen, Germany. QRX for more info after June 21.

## **WWFF INFO**

**GJ, JERSEY** The weekend of May 11-12, YNOMY DX Group (PD7YY, PG8M, PH0NO) will be active from a number of WWFF nature reserves in GJ. We will be active with multiple stations on all bands from 80m and up (incl. 6m and 2m if there are propagations). For chasers there will be several expedition awards available - info on:

<http://www.ynomy.nl/2019/03/wwff-expedition-to-gj.html>

## **Lightships and Lighthouses**

**F, FRANCE** Berck-sur-Mer LH FR-0014 A team will be active as TM0BSM between August 15 and August 18 during the International Lightship and Lighthouse weekend. QSL via DL0AD, bureau or direct.

## Special calls

### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**EX, KYRGYZSTAN** The special event station **EX26Y** celebrates the founding of Kyrgyzstan's national amateur radio society 26 years ago from the following locations:

**May 07-09:** Bishek, WW Loc. MN72hu; **May 10-15:** Cholpon-Ata, WW Loc. MN82mp;

**May 13-15:** Bishek, WW Loc. MN72hu. Operators are Ivan/EX7DI, Evgeny/ EX8AY, Vladimir/EX8ABC, Sergey/UN6GAO, Victor/UN7GIT, and Alena/UN5GAO. QSL via eQSL, LoTW and EX7DI, direct.

**HS, THAILAND** The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand is active as **HS10KING** on all bands and all modes until July 31. This to celebrate the coronation of King Rama X. All QSO's will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.

**LY, LITHUANIA** Look for **LY15EU** to celebrate the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Lithuania's membership in the European Union. Operation until May 26. QSL via LY2QT.

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** Tony PD1TV and Henry PA4HM will be active as **PH229XXI** from May 11 until June 4 for the annual "Wings and Wheels" event held at Hoogeveen Airfield. They will operate SSB on the HF bands. QSL via the bureau, or direct to PA4HM.

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** Celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the International Astronomical Union, three Dutch special event stations will be active as follows: 25 May-16 June **PA100IAU** Tivoli Astronomical Observatory, Oudenbosch 15 June-7 July

**PB100IAU** Leiden Astronomical Observatory 6-28 July **PC100IAU** Louwman Museum, The Hague. See qrz.com for more information and QSL routes.

### **THE REMINDERS**

**4J, AZERBAIJAN** A special callsign dedicated to Formula 1 Grand Prix of Europe which takes place in Baku, Azerbaijan. **4JF1EU** is active until May 31. Operator: Alexander, 4J3DJ. QSL via 4J3DJ.

**4X, ISRAEL** Look for **4Z64EURO, 4X64S, 4X64O, 4X64N** and **4X64G** until May 18. This to mark the 64<sup>th</sup> Eurovision Song Contest that this year will take place in Tel Aviv, Israel. QSL via LoTW, awards will be available for download at <https://www.iarc.org/livelog/> (see 4Z64EURO on qrz.com for the rules).

**CO, CUBA** Look for **T43A** between May 16 and May 20. This to celebrate the 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the Grupo Especial de Expediciones y Concursos. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via RW6HS direct or LoTW.

**DL, GERMANY DM19LGS** marks the 8<sup>th</sup> State Horticultural Show in Frankenberg/Saxony during 2019 on HF and 2m/70cm with the special DOK 19LGS. QSL via bureau or via DG0ERS direct.

**DL, GERMANY** The German award hunters group DIG celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as **DR50DIG** (DIG #6477, DOK DIG). QRV until end 2019. QSL via bureau or direct via DH1PAL.

**DL, GERMANY** The special event station **DQ600UNI** celebrates the 600<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Rostock University during 2019; special DOK 600UNI until July and September until December; during August the station's special DOK will be HSR19 (Hanse-Sail 2019). QSL via bureau and DL5KVV (d).

**DL, GERMANY** Special station **DR19RGD** (DOK 19RG) is operating until July 31, this to mark the 19<sup>th</sup> Ruhr Games in Duisburg. QSL via bureau.

**DL, GERMANY DM775FLD** celebrates the founding of the town Friedland 775 years ago during 2019. QSL via bureau.

**DL, GERMANY DL19RIC** operates in the context of the Rotary International Convention 2019 in Hamburg. QRV until June 5. QSL via Club Log OQRS.

**DL, GERMANY** The special event calls **DM70GER** and **DL70BRD** celebrate Germany's Septuagennial Jubilee throughout the year. An award will be available as well. QSL for DM70GER via M0SDV direct or Club Log OQRS, DL70BRD via DK1YH direct or bureau, Club Log OQRS.

**DL, GERMANY** Special stations **DF13DEJU**, **DF13BLN**, **DF13BUD**, **DF13MUC**, **DF13PAR** and **DF13STO** are QRV until end June. This to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary if the maiden flight of the Junkers F 13, the mother of all commercial aircrafts.

**DL, GERMANY** Look for Oliver as **DL19JDAY** to mark Japan Day Dusseldorf. QRV until May 26. QSL via DK7TX.

**DL, GERMANY** The DARC club of Bad Doberan celebrates its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary as **DM460DA** between May and end October. Founding fathers in 1959 were Heinz Dittman, DM3XA and Horst Koschay, DM4DA. QSL via DL9GFB, direct or bureau.

**EA, SPAIN** Members of the Radio Club de las Fuerzas Armadas Espanoles are marking the Spain's armed forces as **EG1FAS**. QRV until June 2. QSL via EA1ADP, direct or bureau.

**F, FRANCE** Members of the Radio Club du Val d'Issole are operating as **TM500LDV** until July 20 to mark the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Leonardo da Vinci. Activity on HF using CW, SSB, PSK and FT8. QSL via F4GPB.

**F, FRANCE** Special call **TM5CQ** is used in several contests until June 16 in memory of Rafik Dandji, F5CQ (SK April 2018). Activity on HF during legs of the "Coupe du REF" (the French HF Championship). QSL via F4FRG.

**HB, SWITZERLAND** During 2019 are the Swiss Amateur Stations allowed to use the prefix **HB90** instead of HB9 and **HB30** instead of HB3. This to celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Union Schweizerischer Kurzwellen Amateure.

**HP, PANAMA** Victor, HP1AVS and others are active as **H31A** until August 15. This to celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Panama La Vieja. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digital modes. QSL via HP1AS or LoTW.

**I, ITALY** Special call **II3GIRO** is active until end June, this to mark the Giro d'Italia 2019. QSL via IV3TMM, direct or bureau, LoTW.

**I, ITALY** The special call **I0OKT** commemorates the voyage of the raft Kon Tiki in 1947. QRV until August 31. QSL via I0KQB.

**I, ITALY** ARI Fidenza will use a series of special callsigns throughout 2019 to honour twelve "Italian pioneers in radio engineering":

**II4TSB** (Alessandro Tosi & Ettore Bellini) in May

**II4ART** (Alessandro Artom) in June

**II4MJR** (Quirino Majorana) in July

**II4BRD** (Cesare Bardeloni) in August

**II4GRM** (Gruppo Radiotecnico Milanese) in September

**II4MNU** (Ernesto Montu') in October

**II4VAL** (Giancarlo Vallauri) in November

**II4TIB** (Ugo Tiberio) in December.

See <http://www.arifidenza.it/> for complete information on the award. QSL via IQ4FE, bureau or direct.

**I, ITALY** The ARI Fidenza Club (IQ4FE) plans to honour Italian radio pioneers during 2019. In January, **II4CAL** points to Temistocle Calzecchi-Onesti. QSL via IQ4FE.

<http://www.arifidenza.it/>

**LX, LUXEMBOURG** Look for **LX0SAR** from Weicherdange (JO20XA) during the Saarlorlux Friendship Meeting 2019. QRV on HF using CW, SSB and FT8 on May 10-12. QSL via bureau.

**LY, LITHUANIA** **LY800SMG** celebrates the first datable reference to the region Samogitia from 800 years ago. QRV until May 27. QSL via LY2NZ.

**LZ, BULGARIA** Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use twelve special callsigns throughout 2019 to honour as many different Orthodox saints:

**LZ497OM** (May), **LZ815NI** (June), **LZ1809PNS** (July), **LZ304AE** (August), **LZ304EW** (September), **LZ311HI** (October), **LZ365BM** (November) and **LZ4408SPA** (December). QSL via bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2019" award can be found at <http://www.lz1kcp.com/>

**OH, FINLAND** The Finnish section of the International Police Association celebrates its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the call **OG60IPA** throughout 2019. QSL via OH4MDY.

**OK, CZECH REP** Look for **OL75CLAY** until end July. This to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Operation Clay, executed during World War II in the protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia by Czech paratroopers. QSL via OK2PXJ.

**OM, SLOVAK REPUBLIC** Look for **OM83IHWC** and **OM2019IIHF** to mark the 83<sup>rd</sup> Men's World Ice Hockey Championships (May 10 to 26). QRV throughout May on HF and VHF. An award will be available as well. QSL via OM2FY, direct or bureau, Club Log OQRS. <http://awards.szr.sk/>

**SM, SWEDEN** Celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Sweden's National Society for the Active Visually Impaired (SK5CG) will be active as **SF50CG** throughout 2019. QSL via SM0BYD.

**TA, TURKEY** GITRAD Giresun Telsiz Radyo Amatorleri ve Doga Sporlari Dernegi is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the special call **TC10GITRAD**. It will be on the air until 31 December 2019, The log will be uploaded to eqsl and LoTW regularly. For any miscopied callsign, please send an e-mail to TA7AZC ([qrz.com](http://qrz.com) recorded). No cards are required at this end and if you need a hardcopy qsl card please send it direct to TA7AZC (SASE+3GS)

**UR, UKRAINE** Look for **EN185UNIV** until end 2019 to celebrate the 185<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv. QSL via UT8UF.

**VE, CANADA** The Yukon Canam Contest Club, VY1AAA, of Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, Canada has secured Canadian special prefixes **CZ**, **CJ**, **CY** and **CK** for use by all Canadian licensees until May 28. VE becomes CK, VA becomes CJ, VY becomes CZ, and VO becomes CY. The special prefixes are celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Official Languages Act of Canada – Celebrating Canada's Official Languages. The club has secured the special call **CZ1Z** for the period between WPX SSB and WPX CW. QSL for CZ1Z will be via LoTW only for this event.

**VU, INDIA** **AU60BARC** is the special call by the Bangalore ARC, India's oldest club. This to celebrate its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. QRV until May 13. QSL via Club Log OQRS.